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FILED: April 20, 2000  
FOR: METHOD FOR DETERMINING A CONCENTRATION OF TARGET NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES,  
NUCLEIC ACID PROBES FOR THE METHOD, AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING DATA OBTAINED BY  
THE METHODASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.

Additional documents filed herewith: Request for Extension of Time (One-Month); Marked-up copy; Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 (Executed); Sequence Listing (Paper); Computer-Readable Sequence Listing (Diskette)

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INDEPENDENT	6	MINUS	8	0	× \$84 =	\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS		+ \$280 =		\$0.00
				TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS		\$0.00
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action of February 15, 2002, Applicants request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows:

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 23, line 24, to page 24, line 22, with the following text:**